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"Serving the Bowling Green community for over 75 years"



BG approves charter to go on-line

□ University charter is made available to students and faculty with the press of a button.
By MELISSA NAYMIK
The BG News

The Internet has provided the University with a number of helpful ways to receive information. It allows students the accessibility to retrieve his or her grades, schedule and even provides a list of campus events.

Now, the services are expanding to offer the University charter on-line.

Charles Middleton, provost and vice president for academic affairs, recently approved a Facul-

ty Senate proposal to allow the University charter on the Internet.

Bob Holmes, Faculty Senate chairman, was very pleased with

administration," Holmes said.

The idea to provide the University with the charter via the Internet came from Diane Whitmire, the administrative secre-

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Bob Holmes

Faculty Senate Chairman

this approval for a number of reasons.

"This is a great idea because the charter will be more accessible to students, faculty, staff and

tary for Faculty Senate.

"When changes need to be made on the charter, a lot of time and money are put into them," Whitmire said. "By having ac-

cess to the charter on the Internet, changes can be made as quickly as possible, instead of waiting a year."

Currently, there is only one electronic copy of the charter.

According to Ann Marie Lancaster, chairwoman and associate professor of computer science, the actual time span before the charter will be on the Internet is "sometime during the next year."

The process will not happen overnight, but once the charter is completely on-line, printing costs will be diminished.

The cost to re-print the charter this year was over \$4,000.

● See CHARTER, page four.



Sara Prendeville, sophomore sport management, major and Kelly Kucsma, senior sport management major, take advantage of the

sunny evening and take their studying outside in the Union courtyard.

Arts festival returns to downtown BG

□ Festival organizers estimate it will be the biggest one yet.

By BRANDON WRAY
The BG News

It's finally time for the Romp at the Swamp.

The Black Swamp Arts Festival will kick off a weekend of music, art, beer and food Friday night.

The festival, which is being called the biggest so far by organizers, features more than 130 artists and over 40 musical acts.

Bill Kurfess, marketing director for the Black Swamp Festival, said that the festival features 15 percent more artists this year.

"Overall the festival will be bigger," Kurfess said. "We have even bigger musical acts this year like Ekoostik Hookah and Junior Brown. We are expecting an attendance of about 50,000 for the weekend."

Kelly Wicks, performing arts chair, is really excited about the music this year.

"Ekoostik Hookah is probably the premier band on the Ohio college scene right now," Wicks said. "Junior is a really up-and-coming country musician who has been nominated for Grammys in the past."

Junior Brown is called a country musician but I hate to classify him as anything because he really is all over the board," Wicks added. "He's not the new Clint Black. He plays a guitar that he invented and just gets crazy on stage. He will play one song that sounds country and another that sounds like Jimi Hendrix."

With over 40 musicians there will be something for everyone, Kurfess said. Local bands September's Children, Jackie O and Gone Daddy Finch will also be performing at the festival.

Kurfess said that one of organizer's goals this year is to attract a diverse audience.

"We want to broaden the appeal of the festival," Kurfess said. "In years past the festival was really college-oriented. We are keeping that but adding more of a focus on the family."

Contributing to the festival's growth this year was the idea to sell the official festival T-shirts all summer instead.

"We sold the 'Romp at the Swamp' T-shirt all summer to build anticipation," Kurfess said. "Rather than wait until the festival it seemed like a good idea to get the shirts out there. The shirts were discounted and a great way to get the name out."

● See SWAMP, page six.

1997 Black Swamp Festival

The following is the music schedule for the festival:

Stage 1		
Friday, Sept. 5	5-6:30 p.m.	Jackie-O
	7-8:30 p.m.	Rank Outsiders
	9-11:30 p.m.	Ekoostik Hookah
Saturday, Sept. 6	12-1:00 p.m.	Paddy's Night Out
	1:30-2:30 p.m.	The Chris Buzzelli Trio
	3-4:00 p.m.	Professor Easy & the Eclipse
		Blues & Jazz Band
	4:30-6 p.m.	Hope Orchestra
	6:45-8:15 p.m.	Leon Redbone
	9-11:15 p.m.	Junior Brown
Sunday, Sept. 7	12-1:00 p.m.	BGSU Gospel Choir
	1:30-2:30 p.m.	Rod's Collision
	3-5:00 p.m.	Swing Band (tba)

Beer Garden

Friday, Sept. 5	6:30-7 p.m.	Gone Daddy Finch
Saturday, Sept. 6	1-1:30 p.m.	Jamie & Joe
	2:30-3 p.m.	ool ya koo
	4-4:30 p.m.	September's Children
	6-6:45 p.m.	The Shannon Lawson Band
	8:15-8:45 p.m.	The Shannon Lawson Band
Sunday, Sept. 7	1-1:30 p.m.	Blue Moon
	2:30-3 p.m.	Local Boy

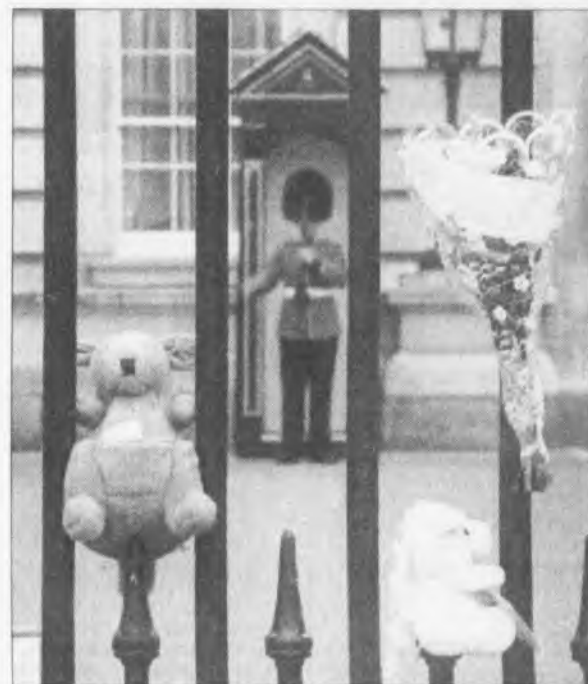
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Saturday, Sept. 6	12-1:00 p.m.	Kindermusik
	1-2:00 p.m.	Paddy's Night Out
		Irish Step Dancers
	2:30 p.m.	John McCutcheon
	3-4:00 p.m.	Wood One Wheelers
	4-5:00 p.m.	Wired For Sound
	5:00 p.m.	Contra-Dance
Sunday, Sept. 7	12:30- 1:30 p.m.	Treehouse Troup
	1:30-2:30 p.m.	Afro Caribbean Ensemble
	2:30-3 p.m.	Tom Gorman
	3-4:00 p.m.	Flying Aces Frisbee Team
	4-5:00 p.m.	Guido's Band

Community Commons

Saturday, Sept. 6	12-1:00 p.m.	Juniper Drive
	1-2:00 p.m.	Dingleberries
	2-3:00 p.m.	The New Rob Robbies
	3-4:00 p.m.	Mote
	4-5:30 p.m.	Morse
Sunday, Sept. 7	12-1:00 p.m.	3on a Match+ Racehorse
	1-2:00 p.m.	The Wobblers
	2-3:00 p.m.	Choke Sympathy
	3-4:30 p.m.	

BG News Graphic by Stephanie Schneider



The Associated Press

Buckingham Palace has been flooded with mourners leaving tokens of sympathy since Princess Diana's death.

Judge considers charging paparazzi

□ Photographer claims he was trying to help the dying princess.

The Associated Press

PARIS -- A photographer who took the dying princess' pulse has first aid training and was trying to help Diana, his boss said today. In Britain, the royal family's stiff upper lip trembled slightly in its first public statement thanking Britons for their emotional outpouring.

Gamma agency chief editor Didier Contant tried to deflect criticism that paparazzi snapped pictures instead of aiding Princess Diana and the other victims. Photographer

Romuald Rat is certified in first aid and CPR, he said.

"We just don't understand the charges," Contant told The Associated Press. "He took her pulse and said, 'Don't move, please. Help is coming.' As soon as help came, he moved back right away."

Rat is among six photographers and a motorcycle driver placed under formal investigation Tuesday as suspects in Diana's death. A judge is considering whether to formally charge them with manslaughter and failing to help a victim in distress.

Rat is free on \$16,000 bail but forbidden to work as a journalist while the case is pending. Police accuse him of

● See DIANA, page six.

Students advised on parking regulations

□ Parking and Traffic stresses the importance of rules.

By SARAH BEDNARSKI
The BG News

They might not be very well liked but the University's Parking and Traffic want students to be aware of the rules and regulations.

According to Stacie Enriquez, administrative assistant Parking and Traffic, wants all students to be aware that tampering with parking meters is a violation of the Ohio Revised Code. She said replacing a parking meter is costly. The average cost is approximately \$350.

Enriquez said in the past, unwanted objects jammed the meters every week.

"[Students] think it's a joke but it's not," Enriquez said. "Not only is it costly but it's illegal."

According to Barbara Waddell, public information officer, stu-

dents should also be aware of where they park. She said parking along curbs is not permitted because all curbs are fire lanes.

"The fire department is on campus often for various reasons and if they can't get through that can cause a problem," Waddell said.

Enriquez said if a student parks on the grass then they will receive a \$50 ticket.

"The tires cause ruts on the grass and many sprinkler heads are damaged when they park on the grass," Enriquez said.

According to Enriquez, no parking is allowed in commuter parking lots between three and five a.m. Monday through Friday. She said the problem is with students moving their cars closer at night.

"They don't realize that they can't park there until they get a ticket," Enriquez said.

Enriquez advises all students

● See TRAFFIC, page six.

Opinion

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Changes in structure speak louder than art

Last week I was reading an article in *The BG News* that discussed the new art that has been purchased for Olscamp Hall and I must say the addition of this "Bowling Green Thinker" art is a positive thing. Being surrounded by articles of creativity such as this can encourage people to think about some very important issues.

The art makes us think that maybe television and "technology" are not the best tools for teaching. Its other message (from the pedestals) is that all people who attend this university, from students to faculty and staff, have valid and worthwhile ideas and opinions.

Yet one thing that strikes me as highly ironic about the art in and around Olscamp Hall is how the spaces in Olscamp and around campus do not go along with the notions implied by the "Thinker" art.

This idea struck me the other day as I sat in one of the classrooms at Olscamp, listening to a lecture by one of my

JENNIFER SPAHN

Instructors.

I started thinking about the fact that there are no windows in the classrooms in Olscamp and what that windowless space says to students about their role as students and how education is "supposed" to be.

In essence, it says that the classroom is no place for daydreaming or having moments of escape from a lecture to think your own thoughts. Students are expected to sit docilely and listen to every word the instructor says. End of story.

Of course, not all teachers believe in such a non-thought-provoking approach to education. However, what is so



interesting about the "Thinker" art is the very way in which the building and its classrooms are designed to make learning and thinking, as a student-teacher exchange, a very difficult task.

Before any of us ever stepped foot into this building, someone else had already determined what the process of education should include. The space inside Olscamp was designed to portray that person's ideas about education.

With a dry-erase board at the front of the classroom and a control panel at which an instructor can stand and operate the devices in the room and share her thoughts on the topic at hand, there is little room left for alternative methods of teaching and learning.

In desks lined up in rows which face this hypothetical "all-knowing teacher," students sit to receive their daily dose of knowledge. It makes me wonder how "thinkers" are ever supposed to emerge from such a one-sided construction of learning.

In other words, an environment

which contains art that expresses the desire and need for all people's thoughts and ideas is located in the same environment whose very construction discourages thinking.

Another problem with this windowless space in which classes are held is that it completely conflicts with the University's claims for desiring a community atmosphere. The set up of the campus itself seems to create a further division between "us" and "them."

Roles for students, instructors, and many others around campus are predetermined and the space on this campus really reinforces what each person is expected to do. In a community, and especially a learning community, all people should feel valuable and should be able to use their desires and experiences to determine their own roles.

It is clear that certain attempts have been made to create a sense of community on

this campus. Take, for instance, some of the Welcome Week activities like the campus-wide picnic. This was a valid display of community building. On the other hand, why is it that there was one day set aside for such an event and why was it was it held outside?

If the goal is a community environment then we shouldn't have to set aside just one time and space during the year when such an environment is created. This is simply not enough.

We see evidence around the campus which further illustrates this distinction of space where we can be thinkers and space where we are not supposed to be.

There are places where we have planted some flowers, maybe set a few benches out where people can be surrounded by a few square feet of "natural" beauty and talk to their friends.

There are lounges and other such spots placed sporadically around BGSU, but again, the space which has been designated as classroom space has simply

not been constructed to create a sense of community and learning.

Is there any way to improve on such an interesting problem? Certainly it is not feasible to tear down the entire campus and start some fresh reconstruction projects. Maybe altering the way classes are held would help the situation.

Some of my instructors have held class with all the desks in a circle, creating a sense of equality. Also, in nicer weather more classes could be held outdoors.

My understanding of what the "Thinker" art says to us is that creating a community of thinkers is vital for our campus. Regardless of the title you hold at BGSU, all of us must strive to create an environment that allows our peers to express and validate their knowledge and ideas.

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Money media must respect privacy rights

I stood, loading the very bagels you pay too much for in the dining halls into the oven at Barry Bagels on Sunday when I heard the news. Princess Diana was dead.

Naturally, I felt sympathy for the loss of human life, but I found myself strong enough to continue my work. What I found disturbing enough to stop working were the events that led up to, and in my opinion, caused her death.

I started to think to myself that I hoped the press would finally take a look at their business. I hoped that they would finally see that there is such a thing as going too far.

I then realized I was being too broad in my disgust. The hard working people of legitimate, fact based, unbiased press don't deserve my hard

feelings. It is the paparazzi and tabloids that I loath. Again I am generalizing. Let's say that anyone who stands to make a profit of the misfortune, rumors or privacy of someone's life, I can't stand.

I can totally understand sitting down to have an interview with someone, but chasing someone at over 100 m.p.h. just to get some pictures is absurd. This is especially true since there are literally millions of pictures of Princess Diana. What made taking pictures at this particular moment so important?

Was it the fact that she was with companion, Dodi Fayed? I'm sorry, but I have enough to worry about with my own love life to care about two people in Europe. Yet when pictures of Diana and her new love appear

on the front of such credible publications as the National Enquirer, people flock to the grocery stores to find out the "real stories" told by the ever popular "anonymous source" and "family friend."

Not only do these papers give a bad name to mainstream fact-oriented journalism, but they also teach us that the phrase, "none of your business" shouldn't mean anything in this world where people have the right to know everything about everybody.

I really don't care if Martha Stewart is mentally ill. Although it is important that Jon Benet Ramsey's killer(s) be found, I am much more interested in finding out who killed my friend Richard Green last year.

The point behind this rambling is that even though we have freedom of the press, we also have

the right to privacy. More importantly, we should have a sense of decency. How many stories are in the news that we really need to know? How many pictures are there that we really need to see? How many of us would begin to understand how harmful these stories are if money hungry "journalists" were putting our business in the street?

For some reason, this society is fascinated with the private lives of the rich and famous. We flock to the supermarket isles with such anticipation that it seems like we won't be able to sleep at night without these tabloid tidbits. We inspire the editors and photographers to dig deeper and give us what we want. We want to know who's sleeping with who.

We want to know who's

DERRICK JONES

cornfield Armageddon will be take place in. The editors want to give us this information and pictures would be nice.

This causes paparazzi to hide in trash cans and chase cars into tunnels for pictures they can sell for top dollar. Although some tabloids have refused to pay up to one million dollars for the Princess Di crash photos, the photographers are still trying to sell them. Believe me, they'll need the money for their legal bills.

One day the world might wake up and realize that no matter how much money you have, you still are human, meaning you are going to make mistakes. You are still going to have affairs. You are

still going to get sick. You are still going to die. You are NOT going to see Elvis in Kalamazoo.

Far be it from me to decide what the world needs to see or read. We have to look within ourselves find out where our hunger for stories about wife beating nuns comes from.

Until we become this civilized, we will continue to have journalists like those who asked Bill Cosby, after the murder of his only son Enis, "How do you feel?" We will also continue to have paparazzi who would rather snap pictures of a wrecked car than help the people dying inside.

Derrick Jones is a columnist for the News. Send comments to dajones@bgnet.bgsu.edu or to 210 West Hall.

PAGE THREE

FACT:
The University was founded in 1910

FICTION:
South Hall had already celebrated its 50th anniversary by then (South was actually built in 1959)



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, 9/4/97

PUSH AMERICA (10 am - 10 pm)

Grass area south of Eppler. This is a charity event sponsored by Pi Kappa Phi.

Antonio Daniels Day (11:30 am)

Paul J. Olscamp Hall. The city of Bowling Green and BGSU honor BG basketball star and first round NBA draft choice Antonio Daniels and wish him well on his way to Vancouver. Also, congratulatory luncheon/awarding of MAC championship rings to the men's basketball team. \$7 admission, call the Falcon Club for tickets. (372-7062)

Composition Workshop (7 pm - 9 pm)

Room 1103, Offenbauer West. Build confidence in writing skills by reviewing the basics of composition from development and organization to grammar and mechanics. Meets Thursday through Sept. 25. Fee. For information/registration, call Continuing Education, 419/372-8181.

Phi Beta Sigma: Project Sleep (8 pm - 7 am)
Education Building Steps.

Friday, 9/5/97

Volleyball vs. Duquesne (5 pm)

East Lansing, Mich.. BG begins action in the Michigan State Invitational against the Dukes. This is the first of 13 September matches for the Brown and Orange.

Rainman (8 pm)

111 Olscamp Hall. Starring Tom Cruise and Dustin Hoffman. Shown at 8 pm and 11 pm on Friday and Saturday. Admission is \$2. Sponsored by the University Activities Organization. For more information call 372-7164.

The Music Man (8 pm)

Kobacker Hall, Moore Musical Arts Center. Bowling Green Summer Musical Theatre presents "The Music Man." Tickets are priced at \$8, \$10 & \$12. Call 372-8171 or 800/589-2224 for reservations.

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PEOPLE ON THE STREET

A look at what some members of the community think about the issue of the day:

Today's Question:

"Who is your favorite Spice Girl?"



Becca Nielt
Freshman
Special Education

"Scary Spice because she is the most crazy."



Katy Vence
Freshman
Elementary Education

"Ginger Spice because she is the prettiest and has the most personality."



Kristan Jablanski
Freshman
Pre-law

"Baby Spice because she sings with feeling."



Bradley Hughes
Senior
Physics/Philosophy

"Sporty Spice because on looks alone, she is the prettiest."



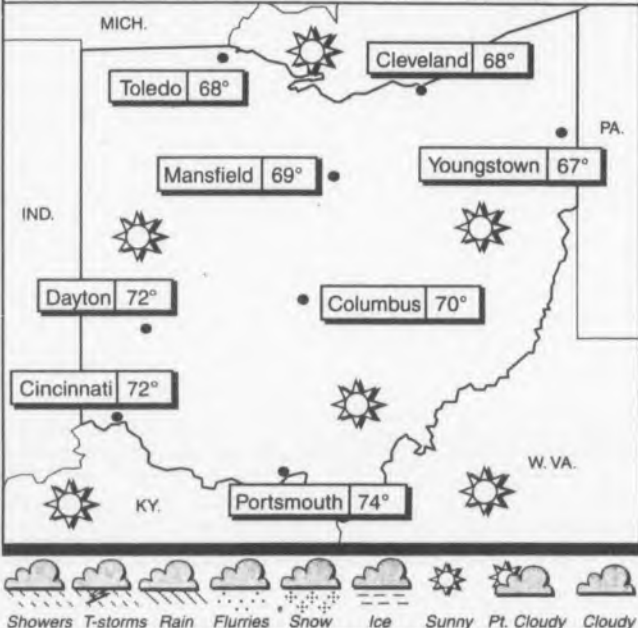
Jonnie Blaze
Freshman
Business

"All of them because their sound and music is different."

OHIO Weather

Thursday, Sept. 4

AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures



Via Associated Press GraphicsNet



TODAY'S WEATHER

Today Sunny and cool. High: 70. Low: 41.

Friday Warmer with more sun. High: 79. Low: 47.

TODAY'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I wonder how you sleep at night. You should be ashamed."

"ER" star George Clooney speaking to reporters at a news conference where he blamed tabloid journalists for Princess Diana's death



THUMBS UP

- To the Pizza Shop in the Union. Hmm, hmm, good!
- To the weather.
- To the making of a new "Godzilla" movie. Japan's foremost star of the cinema would surely take "Jurassic Park" dinosaurs and "Men In Black" aliens to school.
- To the Cartoon Channel and endless reruns of "Super Friends." Superman, Batman, Wonder Woman and friends are still the coolest.



THUMBS DOWN

- To crazy fools on bikes who try to set speed records at the expense of crowds herding to classes. Why such a hurry? It's not like the class won't still be there.
- To losing Jerry Rice for the season. An NFL season without Jerry lighting up the '49ers offense? It's a travesty. Fantasy football players mourn around the world.
- To too many freshmen with cars. They're taking over!
- To classes before 9 a.m. Zzzzzz.

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CAMPUS

Center open to help commuters

□ The Off-Campus Connection works to ensure that commuter students feel welcome.

By DAVE TRAN
The BG News

Problems that BGSU commuters deal with can be plentiful. They range from not having enough gas in their car to get to school, to plowing through the snow, to parking or hoping that their boss understands that they have a 12-page paper that has to be typed by tomorrow morning.

The Off-Campus Connection welcomed the University's commuter students to help them get the entire college experience.

"Our job is to make sure that the off-campus students feel that BGSU isn't just a school to take classes," Keller said. "We want them to feel the social experience and the Off-Campus Connection can give that to them."

The commuters all have different reasons as to why they don't live on the University campus.

"It's a lot cheaper than living on campus," explained one student.

"I can't live on campus -- it's not like they can let my three-year-old stay with me in the dorm room," another student said. "All the local areas are too expensive, so I have to drive from Toledo. I need a roommate to help pay the bills so I can move closer, but who wants to room with a mother and her three-year-old daughter?"



BG News Photo by Gina Fleming

Students Chris Dobbs, left, Brandi Barhite, middle, and Laura Nijakowski, right, study in the Off-Campus Student Center.

The Off-Campus Center in Moseley Hall has information and resources available to help off-campus students with dilemmas like this.

Yvonne Hopkins, a commuter student and aide, said a lot of work goes into preparing to help students.

"There are about 70 adults that work within the Off-Campus Connection to help them integrate into the school," Hopkins said. "Some of them are adults who never attended college, quit and are restarting again or advancing through their work field."

The commuters at the meeting also attended other meetings to make their transition to University more comfortable. A man

that just finished his two-year service to the Air Force was the only person that wanted to tell his story behind attending the University. "I live just around the corner and don't need the dorm life interrupting my studies," told one commuter. "I'm not the same age, I don't even think the same way as some of the younger kids coming in from high school. I'm just a guy who knows what he wants in life."

And what he wants in life is different from some other students.

"A lot of the kids coming out from high school are looking at college as a place that represents freedom, someplace to be wild, someplace where mom and dad can't tell them what to do," he

said. "I'm here for my degree and I'm done. I want to start my life."

The young man was set on his goals and beliefs. He wanted only one thing in BGSU, and that was a degree to help him in the work force. Some people look for freedom, some look for education and some look for a new experience. No matter what students are looking for, BGSU will somehow fulfill that appetite in everyone, he said.

"I don't need any transition from home life to the real world -- I've lived it and am looking for the whole package deal. To some, BGSU is the start of life, while others use it to advance the quality of it."

Sigma Chi plans 50th anniversary

□ Alumni return to participate in Sigma Chi's celebration of brotherhood.

By JOHN STEBBINS
The BG News

The University's chapter of the Sigma Chi Fraternity will be celebrating their 50th year on this campus this weekend with a four-day series of commemorations.

John Gest, alumni chair for the chapter, said this will be a good way to understand what the Sigma Chi Fraternity has meant to the University.

"The University and the town has really changed in the past 50 years, but the values and ideals of Sigma Chi really haven't," he said. "Whether you're 20 or 60 years old, there is so much we all have in common from the one common bond of Sigma Chi. Every major, every background has been a part of Sigma Chi."

Gest expects about 400 people to show up at different events for the commemoration, which includes an alumni golf tournament, a buffet brunch in Olscamp Hall and a reception at Saturday's BG-Miami game.

"We've had chapter events and talked to a lot of guys who called their friends," he said. "Aside from mailings, we talked to about 100 people, which created quite a ripple effect, because a lot of them got a hold of people they knew when they were Sigma Chi's and it went on from there."

On Saturday night, a dinner

will be held in the Lenhart Ballroom in memory of Jack Lee, the man asked by then-University president Frank Prout to begin a chapter of Sigma Chi at Bowling Green. Douglas McWhirten, international president of the fraternity, will be on hand to present founding members with special recognition from the national office.

Chapter President Alan Niese feels this reunion not only unites the past with the present, but aids towards the future of the fraternity's role on campus.

"A lot of the founding fathers of the chapter will be here," he said. "Sigma Chi has been known for its tradition of excellence. This will be a good way to do more than just say so to new members, but to give them a good chance to see it for themselves."

The Sigma Chi's, established here in June 1947, was originally composed of existing Sigma Chi's from other schools, existing Sigma Chi's and new GI's from World War II. It was the fourth national fraternity to be installed at the University.

Niese said that many of the Sigma Chi's who have left Bowling Green have not forgotten their days here. "Over the years, the alumni have put a lot of money into the house (renovated over the summer). It is, by far, one of the best looking fraternity houses on this campus," he said. "Some of our alumni have been major contributors to the University."

Local agencies search for volunteers

□ Volunteer Fair gives students the opportunity to donate time to different causes.

By MELISSA A. BEEMER
The BG News

Have you ever thought of being a volunteer? Have you, like many students, ever stated that you wish you had the chance to help

others? If this thought has crossed your mind, now is the time to grab the opportunity, or rather, the Volunteer Fair Opportunity.

University students will have the chance to sign up to become a true volunteer at the Volunteer Fair Thursday held in Lenhart Grand Ballroom in the Student Union.

Students who attend the Volunteer Fair between 11 a.m. and 4

p.m. will be able to speak with representatives from a number of local agencies who need their help.

"Students can donate any amount of time that they want to the organizations," said Gale Swanka, director of Student Activities. "Although some may require a longer term commitment than others."

No matter how much time students have to give, organizations

such as Behavioral Connections, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, David's House and many others, will appreciate any amount of time donated," Swanka said.

This is not the first year for Volunteer Fair activities at the University.

The idea of a volunteer fair began with the United Christian Fellowship Center, then com-

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CHARTER

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"This will be a very lengthy process to achieve, but it will save a lot of people the time and effort put into printing the charter," said Whitmire. Computer science students will

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The reason the charter takes so much time and money is because every new faculty, staff and administrative member must receive a copy of the charter.

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DeAngelo's Restaurant in Cliffside, N.J. has started serving low-fat Argentine beef since the United States recently lifted an 87 year ban on the beef.

U.S. restaurants remain skeptical over Argentine beef

The Associated Press

CLIFFSIDE PARK, N.J.— This steak is so healthy, it could almost pass itself off as a vegetable: low fat, hormone free, 100 percent organic.

Argentine strip loin, rib eye, filet mignon and tips were served Tuesday night at DeAngelo's Restaurant, the first in the country to bring in the beef since an export ban was lifted earlier this year.

"I didn't believe it when they told me this was so much better," said Joe Oliveira, the head chef at DeAngelo's. "But when you put a piece in your mouth, it tastes like a real meat."

"I can't stop eating it," raved Gail Gerson, who both reviews and does publicity for restaurants. "It's like a purist kind of flavor."

Because Argentine cows graze on grass, not grain, and are not injected with hormones, the meat has half the fat of American beef, Argentine meat suppliers and importers say.

Argentina was banned from exporting fresh, uncooked beef to the United States because of an

outbreak of hoof-and-mouth disease, which the country was declared free of in May. Shipments last month were the first in 67 years.

Still, an annual 20,000-ton quota for Argentina's 27 meat suppliers does not translate into a new cash cow. For example, Argentine meat supplier Frigorifico Rioplatense's only U.S. client is DeAngelo's.

And not everyone is lapping up the new beef.

Peter Luger in New York City, one of the country's most famous steak houses, has no plans to buy it. Co-owner Jodi Storch asked: "Why start with something that's new and unknown?"

Critics also say grain-fed, fatty American beef will always be superior to the grass-fed variety. Julia Child herself says without enough fat, or marbling, Argentine cattle won't produce tasty steaks.

"If it doesn't have proper marbling and proper feed, it won't have the proper flavor," she said. "This is very lean for those diet-conscious people. It's not going to taste good."

Infant dies outside casino

The Associated Press

RIDGELAND, S.C.— A 10-day-old infant left in a warm car for about seven hours died from dehydration while her soldier mother played video poker in a casino, officials said Tuesday.

The infant's mother, Army Sgt. Gail Baker, was charged Sunday in the death of her daughter, Joy, and is being held without bond.

"Joy was my pride and joy," Mrs. Baker wrote in a statement released by police. "I never meant to hurt her in no way. It was just pure negligence on my

part."

The infant was left in a car parked outside the State Line Casino from about 2 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. Friday, said Sheriff's Maj. Roy Hughes. The casino is about a mile outside Savannah, Ga., where Mrs. Baker is stationed at Hunter Army Airfield.

The car's windows were closed and temperatures rose into the mid-90s on Friday, Hughes said. A pathologist from Candler General Hospital in Savannah said the newborn died from dehydration, Hughes said.

Mrs. Baker was charged with homicide by child abuse, which

carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

In her statement, Mrs. Baker said she never went to the car to check on her daughter, only looking out the casino door. "I thought she would be okay," she wrote.

According to police reports, she left the casino about 9:30 p.m. when her husband, Julius, a staff sergeant at Hunter, arrived and told her to go home. Once home, she noticed the baby wasn't breathing. Efforts to revive the infant by Baker and paramedics failed.

DIANA

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obstructing the work of the first officers on the scene.

The first police reports indicated paparazzi pushed back the first officer on the scene as he tried to reach the victims.

Until more police arrived to help him, all the officer was able to glimpse of Diana was "a blond head," the daily Le Figaro reported, quoting from reports scribbled by investigators 20 minutes after the crash. It did not name the photographers involved.

Investigators are waiting for the sole survivor of the

crash, bodyguard Trevor Rees-Jones, to recover enough to tell his story. Jones remained hospitalized in Paris in critical condition. Hospital sources told Le Figaro his lips and tongue were torn away.

Diana's family and the British royal family are considering joining the case as civil parties, which would give them access to documents, the daily Le Monde reported today.

The father of Dodi Fayed, Diana's companion who also died, declared himself a civil party to the case on Tuesday.

In London, officials said the capital's huge squares and re-

gal boulevards may not be big enough to hold the throngs of mourners expected at Diana's funeral Saturday. Buckingham Palace today tripled the distance for the procession to accommodate more mourners.

Diana's body will be taken from St. James's Palace to her home, Kensington Palace, on Friday night. There, the funeral procession will begin Saturday morning, traveling three miles to Westminster Abbey.

Lines of grieving admirers swelled again today, three days after Diana died in Paris.

Teens take part in vampire ritual

The Associated Press

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio — A teenager who said he injected his blood into a friend's arm in a ritual they believed would make them vampires will be charged, police said today.

Frank L. Doyle III, 17, likely will be charged with a juvenile count of assault — even though his friend Brandon Hettinger, 13, asked him to inject his blood, Capt. Jeff Keener said.

The two told police the ritual is called a "passover" and is used to initiate a vampire into a clan. There are 13 members of the clan, they said.

"They said the purpose was to make them invulnerable," Keener said.

Vampire clans have formed elsewhere. Four teen-agers in such a clan are charged in Flor-

ida with bludgeoning a couple to death there last fall. Police said the youths were attracted to vampires by a best-selling role-playing game.

The boys would not identify the other members of the group in Chillicothe, about 45 miles south of Columbus. The Aug. 28 police report said Doyle had claimed he had injected some of the others, but he denied that in an interview Tuesday with The Columbus Dispatch.

Hettinger told police he had taken a syringe his mother once used to give him allergy shots and asked Doyle to draw some of his own blood and inject it into Hettinger's arm. Hettinger's mother alerted police after she learned about the injection from one of her son's friends.

"He advised that by taking a passover, it strengthens your immune system, and you cannot die," the police report said.

A blood exchange can be dangerous, Ross County Coroner John Gabis said. Infections can be transmitted, and mixing incompatible blood types can cause problems from shock and difficulty in breathing to kidney failure and death.

The police report said investigators had suggested the Ross County prosecutor's office charge Doyle with assault and Hettinger with being an unruly child, but Keener said today he did not expect Hettinger to be charged.

The prosecutor's office said an assault charge against the older boy could be supported because no one has the right to consent to be harmed by another, Keener said.

SWAMP

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It takes nearly a year to plan so the organizers start working on next year's festival shortly after this year's is over.

Jennifer Buskey from the Downtown Business Association, said that the organizers start monthly meetings in October and move up to meeting weekly in the summer.

Kurfess said that the organ-

izers in October rehash everything that happened at the festival and decide what they want to do next year.

One of the challenges in organizing a festival that has gotten as big as the Black Swamp Arts Festival is that getting all the volunteers organized, Kurfess said.

"Each volunteer has a special talent," Kurfess said. "It's a real challenge trying to coordinate all these volunteers and making use

of their talents."

Artists will have their work on display on Main Street all weekend. Main Street will be closed between Court Street and Clough Streets. Wooster Street will remain open. Ekoostik Hookah and the other big name acts will perform on Stage One which is located in the parking lot behind BW-3 and Stage Department store. The Community Commons stage is next to Madhatter Music.

TRAFFIC

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to read parking regulations, which appear on the back of parking maps. The maps are available at the parking and traffic office.

New shuttle bus hours, Enriquez said, have been established to provide more hours of service. The bus operates throughout the

campus, Enriquez said.

According to Enriquez, the bus doesn't run Saturdays because no classes are in session and also there isn't a demand for it.

Waddell said many students complain about parking regulations.

"The regulations are in place for their safety and for the good

of the community," Waddell said.

Both Waddell and Enriquez said the rules are not only "unique" to the University but at many other universities and cities nation-wide.

"Students think it's only here but it's everywhere," Waddell said. "That's a part of life and students need to realize that."

VOLUNTEER

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bined efforts with St. Thomas More Parish and eventually joined forces with the University.

This year's fair promises to be bigger and better, according to Sharon Moor of UCF.

"In years past, students had to come to the UCF and then travel to individual agency locations,"

Moor said. "Now the organizations come together at one location which makes it more convenient for students."

Some of the volunteer opportunities available may be used for credit toward a degree, depending on the requirements of the degree and volunteer job description.

Volunteer experience can also be useful for resumes as well as

for career experience, Moor said.

Anyone who would like more information on the University Volunteer Fair may pick up a free listing of organizations at the Office of Student Activities, Student Union. Those interested may also contact fair sponsors such as St. Thomas More Parish, University Fraternities and Sororities and the United Christian Fellowship Center.

74 year-old man leaves 100 year-old mom in car

The Associated Press

BURTON, Ohio — Police arrested a man who left his 100-year-old mother reading in the car while he visited a fair, even though that's where she wanted to be.

Leonard Wohlander, 74, and his mother, Ada Foosha, said she enjoys taking a ride twice daily and routinely sits in the parked car reading while her son runs errands.

She did the same thing Saturday while her son, his wife and two daughters went to the Great Gauga County Fair.

Mrs. Foosha spent the time reading Charles Dickens' "A Tale

"She's got the window open, she's got food."

Leonard Wohlander left his mother in car while shopping

of Two Cities." She had been there about three hours when a parking attendant noticed her and called police.

Officers found Wohlander, of Madison, on the fairgrounds and arrested him on a misdemeanor charge of failing to support a de-

pendent.

He could face six months in jail and a \$1,000 fine if convicted.

Police Chief Dennis Nichols said Mrs. Foosha was in good condition but he was shocked that she had been left in the car.

"She's got the window open, she's got food," Wohlander responded.

He said his mother won't let anyone be brought in to watch her.

"She's content in the car because she reads her books and her papers," he said.

Mrs. Foosha said she was surprised by the fuss. "I always read. I don't mind sitting there," she said.

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Falcons facing must-win game

Commentary

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Forget the Ohio State game next weekend. It means nothing for the Bowling Green football team.

That's right -- nothing.

The biggest game of the season is against another in-state rival, and it is this Saturday at Perry Stadium.

Miami, the preseason favorite to win the Mid-American Conference, waltzes into Bowling Green for an early-season clash with major implications on the conference race.

If the Falcons expect to be a factor in the race, then a victory is a must against the RedHawks.

"Every game is a big conference game," BG coach Gary Blackney said this week. "This is a big game because Miami has a good football team and it is an early-season pick to win the conference."

Miami already has a leg up on the rest of the division, thanks to a 27-10 win over Ball State to open the season. BG opened with the tough 30-23 loss to Louisiana Tech, but with that loss out of conference the Falcons start out this week with a clean slate.

A look at the rest of the schedule explains just how important this game is for Bowling Green. The next three games, in order, are at Ohio State, at Akron and at Kansas State.

The first and last teams in that stretch played in New Year's Day bowl games last season. And Akron, coming off a 59-14 whipping by Nebraska last week, has its sights on contending in the conference race.

A loss against Miami and the Falcons might be in big trouble. A loss could pave the way to an 0-5

■ The annual Football Preview Edition can be found inserted in today's newspaper.

start -- and heads might start rolling over in Perry Stadium East. Every one of Blackney's teams at BG has been over .500 after five games, and a loss would force the Falcons to win three straight to maintain that streak.

A victory Saturday, however, would give a young football team a shot in the arm and a boost of confidence. Should BG beat Miami and survive the three-game road swing without a catastrophe -- beat Akron and keep OSU and KSU from going medieval -- then the Falcons will emerge as a team to be reckoned with in the MAC.

But it all starts with the RedHawks, who have won just once in the past six meetings against BG. Included in that is last year's 14-10 BG win in Oxford which knocked league-favorite Miami off its high horse.

The Falcons have their work cut out for them, though. Miami is a solid football team, deserving of the preseason moniker as MAC favorites. Senior quarterback Sam Ricketts had a great game against Ball State, and anyone who saw BG play last week knows that Ricketts is probably salivating at the chance to go against BG's secondary.

BG needs to find a way -- somehow, someday, even if it comes down to finding some more eligibility for Blackney and putting him in on defense -- to shut down the opponents' passing game. And the offense needs to come up with some big scoring plays.

If the Falcons can't do these things, they face a rather disparaging 0-2 hole.

And with the monsters waiting on the other side of this week, there is no question that it's time for the Falcons to stand up and be counted.



Falcon junior Jess LaFene, new kid on the block a year ago, is now a co-captain of a BG team welcoming 15 newcomers.

BG thinclads aim for third MAC title

□ The Falcons are very different from a year ago, but expect the same results.

By JASON McMAHON
The BG News

Jessica LaFene crossed the finish line at the Mid-American Conference cross country championships last year in second place, narrowly missing out on the prestigious individual championship. And if history repeats itself, that will be just fine with her.

That's because LaFene -- as a sophomore new to the BG program -- and a senior-dominated top five led the Falcon women to the conference championship for the second straight year. Her goal is to make it three in a row -- and her aspirations don't end there.

"I would love, love, love for the team to go to Nationals," LaFene said. "That would be awesome. But we have to take one thing at a time."

Fresh off being selected MAC Coach of the Year two years running, BG mentor Steve Price has his work cut out for him as he tries to mold an eclectic bunch into the championship-caliber team he has become known for producing.

"On paper, we look very good," Price said. "But we must gel as a team before the big meets in October and November."

His task won't be easy, and it won't have a precedent.

LaFene returns. But gone are three of the top four runners from 1996. The dearth in returnees has resulted in the team consisting of more newcomers (15) than those who

were with the team last season (10), a first for Price.

"I've never coached a team that has more newcomers than returnees," he said. "This is the largest and most diverse team that I've ever coached in my eight years at BGSU."

Despite the large number of fresh faces, BG is not lacking in experience. Price plundered the ranks of the Midwestern cross country programs, bringing in four transfers -- the most he's ever had in one year.

He expects Laura Deneau, a University of Louisville import, to crack the team's top five. Deneau, a junior from Warren, Mich., considered transferring to MAC rivals Ohio and Eastern Michigan before settling on BG.

Junior Wendy Licht-Ordway brings some heavy credentials to the Falcons after spending two years at Wisconsin-Parkside. Licht-Ordway worked her way to All-American status at Parkside after taking two years off after high school for a stint in the Army.

Sophomores Angie Michael and Julie Evers, both recruited out of high school by Price, also decided to join the Falcon fold after spending a year at other schools.

LaFene transferred to BG herself after a year at North Carolina. She believes all the newcomers will have no problem fitting in and there won't be any adverse effect on team chemistry.

"When I came here, (the team) accepted me right from the beginning," LaFene said. "We're trying to do the same this year, because we mean it."

"People just kind of fill into

● See WOMEN, page nine.

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OFFSIDES

BG News sportswriters tackle two sides of the sports issues on every fanatic's mind

Realignment would be good for ailing game

Let me make it clear right now that I am not a baseball purist nor will I ever be one. That said, on with the commentary.

Baseball is the only sport that bases itself almost entirely on tradition. In some ways, that is good. Using the past as a guidepost is a natural tendency within all sports. However, baseball seems to stay put in the past as much as possible. This is not a good thing.

Many changes that baseball has undergone in the last 30 years have been met with scorn by purists. The use of the designated hitter is still hotly debated by National League fans. The continuing debate over interleague play is also heated. Indeed, many purists still claiming that interleague play will destroy baseball — despite the fact that most interleague games have higher attendance rates than league games.

The latest "threat" to the game of baseball comes in the form of acting commissioner Bud Selig's "16-14 league" proposal to realign Major League Baseball into a four-division format. The major changes would be the institution of the DH in all games and the destruction of the American and National Leagues.

Baseball purists around the country now have labeled Selig as Public Enemy No. 1.

"How dare Selig try to radically change the face of the game?" the purists cry out. "It's fine the way we like it."

My response to these cries is simple: Why not change it? Why not have the Mets and Yankees go at it in the same way the Dodgers and Giants used to when they were both in New York? Why not make the Battle of Ohio between

the Reds and Indians a yearly occurrence? Why not create such regional battles — this should really irk the traditionalists — that were once the hallmark of baseball?

The purists still cry foul. They can cry all they want. I believe, however, that it's time for baseball to quit bowing down to the purists and listen to what the rest of the fans — and potential fans — have to say. Failure to listen to the rest of us has cost baseball the fan base that it once had a monopoly on.

It's no secret that baseball is losing ground on other major sports but baseball has no one but itself to blame. The NBA did not blow up by resting on its laurels. The NBA advertised, expanded, restructured itself and was not afraid to take chances when the opportunities presented themselves.

For some reason, baseball just can't bring itself into the '90s. Not only does baseball rest on its traditions, but it attacks those who threaten those traditions. (Don't believe me? Ask Roger Maris how he felt as he pursued Babe Ruth's home run record.)

Get this straight, all you purists out there. The designated hitter worked. Thus far, interleague play has worked. Realignment baseball to include regional rivalries is a good thing.

Say it with me now: "Realignment is a good thing." Not only is it a good thing, but it could be the one step baseball needs to bring back the masses. Traditionalists say that realignment would kill baseball.

I say that baseball might die of neglect without it.

Mike LEONARD
BG News
Sportswriter



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Today's Topic Major League Baseball Realignment

Next Week's Topic

Should smaller football schools schedule perennial powers?

We want to know what you think about next week's topic. Call us to voice your opinion: on campus at 372-2602 and off campus at 353-9315. Speak to a reporter or leave a voice mail.

WHAT YOU SAID

"All thumbs down for it. I think the teams are just in it for greed. I'm a Reds fan ... and I don't want to see the Reds in the American League and the Yankees in the National League. And I wouldn't want to see matchups like Detroit and Philadelphia — how boring can that get?"

Nathaniel Staley
Sophomore journalism major

Next week's issue centers on the debate as to whether smaller football schools like Bowling Green should schedule big-name powers like Ohio State. Is it worth it?

We'd love to have your opinion accompany ours. So please call us at the sports office at 372-2602 or leave a message at 353-9315. We will run a cross-section of responses in this box. When you call, don't forget to leave your name, along with the spelling, and your year in school. We look forward to hearing from you.

The BG News is very excited about this new element of sports coverage. Please take the time to participate.

Plan would ruin years of baseball tradition

OK, so geographically the divisions of Major League Baseball aren't perfect. But, you have to admit that they aren't nearly as bad as having the Carolina Panthers in the NFC West.

Bud Selig, acting commissioner of baseball, is leading the charge for realignment of the American and National Leagues. This radical realignment proposes complete and total switching of teams throughout the majors.

The current setup of American and National Leagues has been together since the present-day major leagues began. In 1994 both leagues adopted Central Divisions to fit the incoming expansion teams, Colorado and Florida.

This year baseball added a feature never before done, interleague play. And yes, interleague play did spice up attendance figures and possibly created some crosstown rivalries, such as Cleveland vs. Cincinnati and Chicago Cubs vs. Chicago White Sox. These attendance increases will be short-lived. As anything that is new, interleague sparked baseball, but how long will it last? All three other major sports play each conference and is not that important to their sports. Of course, this is new to baseball, but fans still tend to forget quickly.

Selig wants to create more local rivalries, yet he is ignoring those teams which already have an arch-nemesis — San Francisco vs. Los Angeles, New York Yankees vs. Boston, Seattle vs. Anaheim and Atlanta vs. Florida. Would different rivals create that much more excitement than already exists between pennant contenders? I doubt it.

New rivalries would take a few years to develop as teams battle for the pennant. Crosstown battles would take place, but if either team has no chance at the playoffs, the games wouldn't seem worth the trouble.

Baseball thinks it needs changes to keep up with the other sports, but the sport seems to have gone overboard. Interleague play is brand new, so why not let it develop for a few years, before jumping into something as big as complete realignment?

Realignment is not a necessary venture. Baseball's American and National League setup has not caused any dilemmas. It would also cause great confusion about which team is in what division. Today, fans know who's winning the division and who else is vying for the pennant.

With Tampa Bay and Arizona joining next year, it seems that baseball is trying to keep pace with the expansion that other major sports are doing. Baseball has stood its ground for over a century. The national pastime, thanks to its unique style and history, has separated itself from the rest of the field. Let's not change that.

If baseball can't hold its own in the '90s with the NFL, NBA and NHL as competition, then switching around the leagues is not going to make that much of a difference.

Baseball is a sport rich in tradition. It is possibly the most conservative major sport in America. It shouldn't be messed with.

WOMEN

Continued from page eight.

the spaces where people left. You have to develop a chemistry, and we're working on that now."

The transfers will add to a solid core of returning runners. In addition to LaFene, Elida's Nikki Monroe returns for her sophomore campaign. BG's fifth runner for most of last season, Monroe was one of the top rookies in the MAC last year.

"We'll count on her a lot this season since so many of our top people graduated," Price said.

Senior co-captain Missy Lyne looks to bounce back from an off-

year in '96. Price expects her to return to her '95 form, when she finished 14th at the MAC Championships.

Seniors Amy Breidenbach and Libby Mitchell and junior Shannon Baird lend depth and experience to the team, and could all crack the top seven. Freshmen Lisa Mariea and Christine Thompson will also have a chance to letter.

"Even after just a week of training, I can see the competitive juices flowing from this group of runners," Price said.

"It's going to be very tough to make our top seven and everyone seems to sense that and work even harder."

Falcons start on a different note

The Falcons christen their title defense Saturday in Athens, taking part in the Ohio Relays. BG will send six two-runner teams for the event. The setup for the meet has two athletes alternating one-mile runs on about a six-mile course.

"I think it's a good way to break into the season," LaFene

said. "I'm excited. I'm definitely ready to race."

BG will get its first look at Ohio Saturday. The rival Bobcats have been selected by MAC coaches as the preseason conference favorite, taking the top spot on all but two ballots. The Falcons ranked fourth, just barely behind Miami and Eastern Michigan.

"We have a really good, strong team," LaFene said. "I think we're as strong if not stronger than last year. I think we're going to surprise a lot of MAC teams this year."

Sports Briefs

Women's soccer pounded by Dayton

The Falcon women's soccer team struggled against another established program, falling to the Dayton Flyers, 5-0 in Dayton. The Flyers scored 36 seconds into the game, and added two more goals in the first 10 minutes of the match. BG was outshot 25-7.

The Falcons travel to Columbus to take on Ohio State Saturday and return home to battle St. Francis Sunday.

Reds' Larkin undergoes heel surgery

CINCINNATI — Shortstop Barry Larkin, out for the season with an ailing left heel, underwent surgery on the foot and is expected to resume play for the Cincinnati Reds next season, the team said.

Surgeons conducted the two-hour operation Wednesday at Cincinnati's Good Samaritan Hospital. It went as expected and Larkin should be able to start running in eight to 12 weeks, Reds spokesman Rob Butcher said.

The surgeons cleaned up a frayed Achilles tendon and removed a cyst from the tendon. They also removed a bursa sac from the heel and took out a bone spur from the left big toe, Butcher said.

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Entertainment

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'Loveline' offers advice to confused

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES -- Richard wonders if his girlfriend's breast milk is an aphrodisiac. John is attracted to his father's sexy new wife. Roxy is pregnant by "the man of my dreams" her second cousin.

And so it goes on MTV's "Loveline," the television version of the popular syndicated radio show where Drew Pinsky, a practicing physician and addiction specialist, and comedian Adam Carolla field calls from twenty-somethings anxious about affairs of the heart ... and regions below.

Add to the equation trendy celebrity guests such as Tori Amos, David Arquette and bands like Jamiroquai on a show taped in a studio set of plush couches that look like they were borrowed from "Friends" Central Perk cafe, and you have Sex Ed that's hip, very hip.

Each night, Pinsky and Carolla impart love-life and sex advice to telephone callers, people in the studio audience and partyers at bars and other remote locations. The calls, many of which predictably focus on breast and penis size, can be explicit and have earned the show a TV-14 rating.

Pinsky, known as Dr. Drew,

fields them with a strong-jaw seriousness, and serves as the straight man to Carolla, the wise-cracking, acerbic Neanderthal who favors bizarre analogies and mixed metaphors.

Carolla says, for instance, their advice must be palatable to teen-agers, just as a dog's medicine pill must be wrapped in hamburger. "I'm the burger," says Carolla, that forces kids to swallow their advice.

Although sometimes callers are reduced to giggles by their questions, the vast majority seem sincere, and many even come across distraught and frightened.

Tatiana, a 19-year-old from Los Angeles, calls to ask how to tell her current boyfriend that she's pregnant from her previous boyfriend.

"You have to tell him," Pinsky says. "You're as sick as your secrets, the saying goes, and you're only as healthy as you can be honest. And if you're not honest in your relationship, you're not in a relationship."

Such straightforward advice, combined with Pinsky's gentle demeanor, have made the doctor something of an accidental heartthrob and women's advocate.

"There's no greater mouth-

piece for the feminist movement, or women in general, than Drew," says Carolla. "And it's even a more powerful voice because when you have someone like Edward James Olmos talking about Hispanic rights, you go, 'OK then, no wonder, the guy's Hispanic, that's why he's mouth-ing off.' But you get Jesse Jackson talking about Hispanic rights, now you're listening! Drew is not one of you and he's shouting from the mountain-tops."

The bespectacled and slightly graying doctor conceived the show 14 years ago as a med student as a way to help teen-agers and young adults deal with the vagaries of their burgeoning sexuality.

Pinsky says the purpose of the show is not to appeal to prurient interests but to raise issues that are "germane to the human experience."

"We don't go and talk about transvestites so we can go, 'Oh transvestites! We go there so you can talk about what's underneath that and the trauma and the tragedy that lie underneath these things,'" Pinsky says.

"It's not being dealt with really," says the 38-year-old doctor, "because the reality is the human experience and the suffering

underneath this is profound."

"But, that being said, you got to sneak in a laugh or two," adds Carolla, 33.

Chip Rowe, the Playboy Advisor whose column could be considered a printed equivalent to "Loveline," agrees that sex education must be delivered with a healthy dose of humor.

"I think that's completely and totally the way that sex should be approached and discussed in America," says Rowe. "Especially where we're all so Puritanical and schizophrenic about sex."

It's an approach whose time has come, says Kinsey Institute director John Bancroft.

"I think it's very important to help youngsters deal with their sexuality in a way which gives them information while at the same time confronting them with the very considerable responsibilities that being sexual actually brings to them," Bancroft says.

Pinsky says he's optimistic about the fate of teen-agers in their search for answers to some of life's tougher questions.

"They're not afraid to shrink away from real feelings," the doctor says. "They are not being submerged anymore."

Well, not on "Loveline" at least.

Gumbel ready for Emmy hosting gig

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES -- Bryant Gumbel did a little Crystal-gazing to prepare for his upcoming role as Emmy host.

Studying a videotape of last March's Oscar ceremony, Gumbel watched emcee Billy Crystal rock the audience with comic patter, song and dance and decided to do it his way: straight.

"He (Crystal) does this for a living and he does it very well," said the television newsman. "That's not what I'm going to try to do."

"I'm going to try to be inconspicuous and try to make sure the show goes smoothly, people enjoy themselves and the show seems seamless," Gumbel said. "And that it's conducted with a degree of dignity and class and decorum."

Don Mischer, producer of the ceremony airing at 8 p.m. EDT on CBS Sunday, Sept. 14, says he's got the right man in Gumbel, who jumped from NBC's "Today" to CBS and is being showcased by his new network.

"A good host is someone who can take you efficiently and gracefully through the evening," said Mischer. "Bryant's got a manner about him; he's easygoing, he's intelligent, he's totally comfortable with live television."

He also won't feel compelled to unleash a laugh-getting zinger each time he appears, which can make a show look like it's simply trying too hard, Mischer said.

If Emmy has any problems, they're not on the stage, the producer said.

"Seats are just a gigantic

problem," Mischer said. "There's a demand that far, far exceeds the number available" at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium, Emmy's longtime home with a capacity of about 2,600.

Take "ER" the leading nominee with 22 bids which just happens to equal the number of places allotted for the drama's large slate of producers and one guest each.

That figure doesn't even include nominated "ER" stars like Anthony Edwards, Julianna Margulies and their guests. The shortage leaves even network executives scrambling for tickets, let alone awards.

The trophies are the real goal, especially in a year when Home Box Office nearly nudged the Big Three broadcast networks out for the most bids, ultimately falling just two shy of NBC's 92 nominations.

Leading series nominees include HBO's "The Larry Sanders Show" with 16 nominations, Fox's "The X-Files" with 12, ABC's "NYPD Blue" with 11 and NBC's "Seinfeld" and "Frasier" with nine nods each.

For those watching the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences ceremony at home, the truly pressing issue is whether the three-hour show will be a dud or a doozy.

The lineup of presenters is properly starry, including Candice Bergen; Gillian Anderson and David Duchovny of "The X-Files"; Glenn Close; Laurence Fishburne, Alfre Woodard and funnywomen and women including Bob Newhart, Garry Shandling and Ellen DeGeneres.

Contestants can gamble during pageant now

The Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. -- Miss America officials, who have said "No dice" to contestants for 19 years, are gambling with the pageant's girl-next-door image this year.

For the first time since casinos opened here in 1978, contestants who are 21 or older can enter them and gamble. They still can't smoke in public or drink alcohol, but they can shoot craps, play

black jack or try their hand at poker and dozens of other games.

"These are young women. They're not babies. And we are not their parents," said Leonard C. Horn, the pageant's chief executive officer. "What they do in their private lives is their business."

The contestants arrived in Atlantic City on Monday to begin preparing for the televised pageant on Sept. 13.

The new rule, which was made without the approval of the Miss

America Organization's board of directors, was not announced with this year's other changes or discussed by pageant officials.

But it turned up in the contestant guidelines section of the pageant's schedule book: "Rule No. 10 - No contestant under 21 may enter a casino or participate in any gambling activity."

"I'm glad to see they did it. It's a recognition that gambling is not some evil force out there," said Diane Legreide, vice chairman of the New Jersey Casino Control

Commission, which regulates the 12 Atlantic City casinos.

The change should improve the sometimes uneasy alliance between Atlantic City's original claim to fame and its current one.

Casino hotels provide free rooms for pageant contestants and their chaperones during the two-week buildup to the pageant finals. But casino industry types have grumbled about what one called the pageant's "holier than thou attitude."

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Alpha Gamma Delta welcomes back our Rho Chi's Dawn Fesmier, Heather Harvey, and Lori Wittich. Also welcome back to our Panhellenic Executive members, Sue Justin, Bethany Gadfield, and Laura Heck. We missed you.
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Get the scoop on Phi Mu!
Stop by the house Wed. Sept. 3 or Thurs. Sept. 4 @ 9:15 and see what we're all about!
Questions?? Call 2-2750

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KD * Congratulations * KD
The sisters of Kappa Delta would like to congratulate Mindy McDowell on her pearly to Brian Kirsch of Ellynn!

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The sisters of Kappa Delta would like to congratulate Carla Gibson on her pearly to Keith Bodil!

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RUSH * KKG * RUSH * KKG * RUSH

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RUSH DELTA ZETA

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Sessions for all students who studied abroad during the 1996-97, academic year or 1997 summer term. Students will share their overseas experiences with each other. Sessions will be held Wed. Sept. 10 from 8-10pm and Sat. Sept. 13 from 10am to noon in 1104 Offenhauer West. Call 2-0309 with questions.

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Undergraduate students who wish to study abroad during the 1998 spring semester may pick up proposal forms in the Center for International Programs (1106 Offenhauer West). The deadline is September 30. Call 2-0309 with questions.

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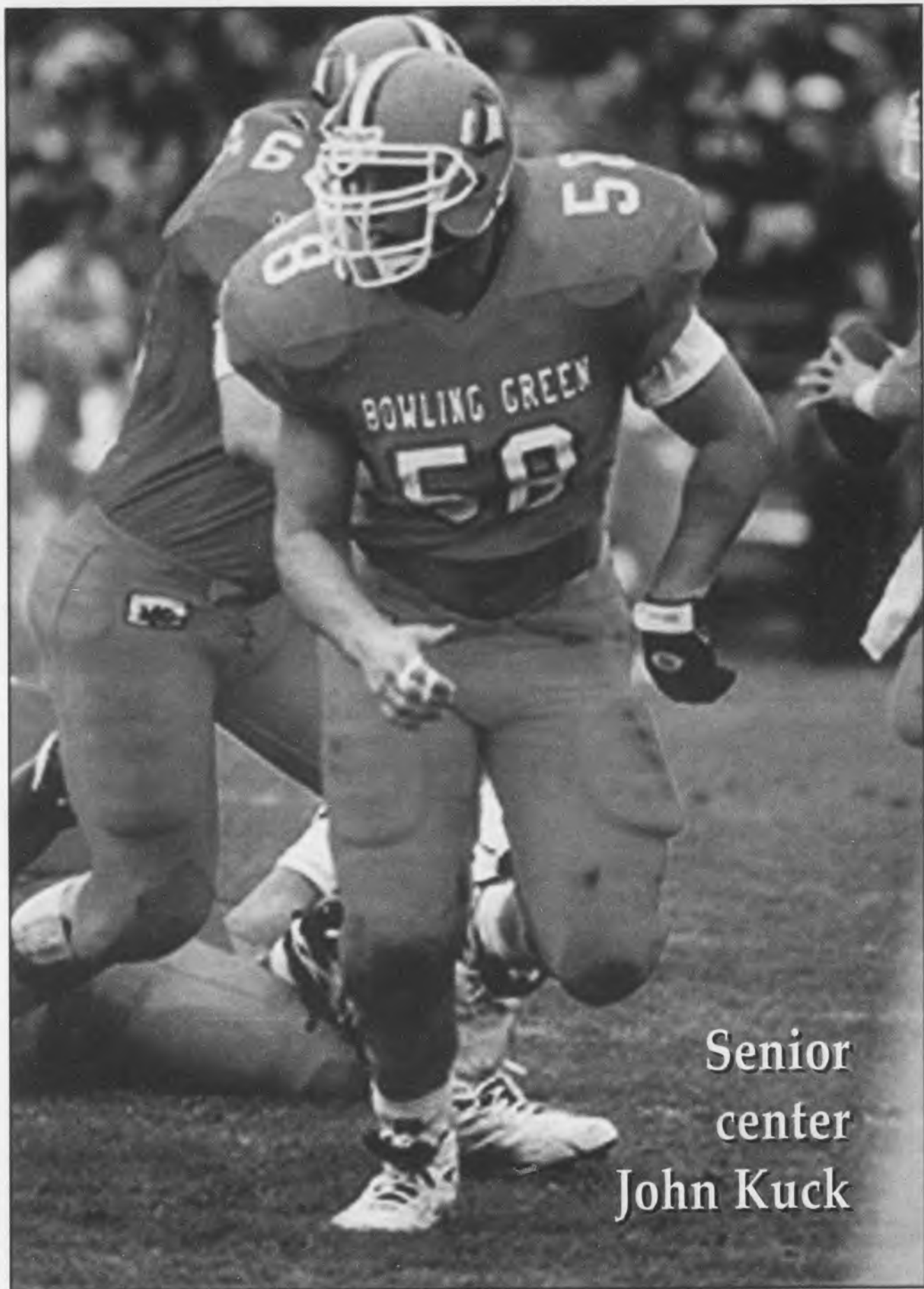
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Senior
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gary blackney



Gary
Richard
Blackney

Age: 52.
Overall record:
45-21-2
MAC record:
34-12-2

Career Stats

Year	Overall	Pct.	MAC	Pct.
'96	4-7	.364	3-5	.375
'95	5-6	.455	3-5	.375
'94	9-2	.818	7-1	.875
'93	6-3-2	.634	5-1-2	.750
'92	10-2	.833	8-0	1.000
'91	11-1	.917	8-0	1.000

Schedule

August

30 at Louisiana Tech
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September

6 MIAMI
.....3:30

13 at Ohio State
.....1:30

20 at Akron
.....7:00

27 at Kansas State
.....1:10

October

4 NORTHERN ILLINOIS
Homecoming2:00

11 WESTERN MICHIGAN
Parent's Day2:00

18 at Ohio
.....2:00

25 TOLEDO
.....2:00

November

1 at Kent
.....3:30

8 at Marshall
.....3:30

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1997 Bowling Green State University Football Team

Looking for respect

Two straight losing seasons have Falcons hungry for another MAC title run.

There is a fire in Kevin O'Neill's stomach.

The football program that the Falcon senior entered as a walk-on has floundered of late. A team that averaged nearly nine wins each of the previous four years has won just nine over the past two.

Falcon football has become synonymous with mediocrity - and O'Neill isn't very happy about it.

"Right now, Bowling Green is an afterthought for people," said O'Neill, team co-captain and All-American candidate at linebacker. "I guess, deservedly so considering how the last two seasons have fared."

"We're going to surprise people this year. I think you're going to see the Bowling Green of old. Anything less than a

MAC championship is a disappointment this year."

The season started off on a sour note last week in Ruston, La., where Louisiana Tech scored 27 unanswered points for a 30-23 comeback win.

The loss is BG's sixth straight over the past two seasons.

O'Neill, however, is a big reason why the Falcons might not end up disappointed this season. He heads perhaps the best linebacking corps in the conference - if not the region.

In all, 15 starters return on either side of the ball for a team that - despite a nightmarish 4-7 campaign a year ago - was only a touchdown behind in five of those seven losses.

"You can sense that this is a much different football team than the past couple of years," seventh-year head coach Gary Blackney said. "The kids are very committed and dedicated. There is just a different atmosphere."

The critics aren't impressed, however. BG has been picked to finish fourth in the MAC's new Eastern Division and pre-season polls from some nationwide publication have BG as low as 106th in Division I-A.

There are only 112 Division I-A schools in college football.

"I don't even pay attention to that," O'Neill said, bristling. "Those people know about as much about football as my sister - which isn't much."

"If anything, they fire you up."

The past two years have seemed like a bad dream for Blackney. Over his first four seasons at the helm, the Falcons won 34 games and appeared in two bowl games.

The past two years have each seen promising starts - 2-1 in 1995, including an upset of Missouri, and 3-1 last year - but the Falcons have fallen apart down the stretch each year.

"I feel a lot of pressure on

myself because I think of myself as a very competitive person, a person who is success-oriented," Blackney said. "I'm not a perfectionist per se, but success is important to me and I've been very disappointed and frustrated."

"That doesn't mean that I'm going to change my coaching style, but for me once again - just like when I took this job - there is a sense of urgency this year. I'm excited. I feel good and can draw energy off that."

Blackney's first year, in 1991, saw the Falcons picked as an also-ran in the conference. All BG did then was go 11-1 with a MAC title and California Bowl victory.

"We're not looking to get back to .500, we're not looking to be 7-4, we're looking to win this thing outright," O'Neill said. "That's the only thing we have on our mind. We have the seniors, we have the talent."

BG's home opener is Saturday against Miami.



1997 Falcon Football Preview



Team Roster

No.	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Year/Elig.	Hometown/High School
80	Aaron Alexander	WR	6-1	190	Fr./Fr.	Kokomo, Ind.
14	C.J. Banks	QB	6-3	200	Fr./Fr.	Chillicothe, Ohio
68	Mike Bodnar	OL	6-3	285	Fr./Fr.	Boardman, Ohio
23	Chicoe Bradley	DB	5-10	195	Sr./Sr.	Mansfield, Ohio/Senior
25	Marty Bryce	DB	5-11	205	Sr./Jr.	Bowmanville, Ohio/St. Ignatius
35	Matt Bunsley	WR	5-10	170	Fr./Fr.	Lakewood, Ohio/St. Ignatius
10	Willie Burton	LB	6-0	215	Sr./Jr.	Fort Wayne, Ind./Snider
5	Todd Bush	LB	6-0	215	Sr./Jr.	Chagrin Falls, Ohio/Kenston
28	Khary Campbell	DB	6-1	185	Fr./Fr.	Toledo/Sylvania Southview
8	Letoskey Carey	DL	6-3	245	Sr./Sr.	Detroit/Cody H.S./Rutgers
75	Tony Chiaravalle	OL	6-1	300	5/Sr.	Cleveland/Lakewood St. Edward
63	Eric Curl	OL	6-2	275	So./Fr.	Livonia, Mich./Stevenson
13	Jason Dailey	QB	6-6	230	Fr./Fr.	Edmonton, Alberta/Queen Elizabeth
49	Chris Della Vella	LB	6-1	225	So./Fr.	North Olmsted, Ohio/St. Ignatius
55	Ryan Diepenbrock	LS	6-3	240	So./So.	Lima, Ohio/Bath
15	Ken Dobbs	WR	6-0	195	So./So.	University Heights, Ohio/Cleveland Heights
44	D.J. Durkin	DL	6-2	240	So./Fr.	Boardman, Ohio
81	Jeremy Dusho	WR	6-0	195	So./So.	Lorain, Ohio/Amherst Steele
79	Rob Fehrman	OL	6-7	295	So./Fr.	Canton, Mich./Detroit Catholic Central
47	Garry Fisher	DB	5-11	200	Fr./Fr.	Columbus/Briggs
38	Garrett Fowler	PK	6-0	185	So./Fr.	West Palm Beach, Fla./Palm Beach Lakes
22	Tom Gabram	DB	5-6	165	5/Sr.	Novelty, Ohio/Beechcroft
85	Kurt Gerling	WR	6-2	185	Fr./Fr.	Sterling Heights, Mich./Henry Ford
27	Jahn Gibson	RB	5-11	215	Fr./Fr.	Columbus/Beechcroft
77	Eric Gilbo	OL	6-7	295	So./Fr.	Canton, Mich./Detroit Catholic Central
24	Damron Hamilton	WR	5-11	185	5/Sr.	Miami/South Miami H.S./City College of San Francisco
66	Sam Hemke	OL	6-3	290	5/Sr.	Bloomfield Hills, Mich./Lahser
33	Jay Hoey	LB	6-0	225	5/Sr.	London, Ohio
88	Tony Holcomb	TE	6-4	260	Sr./Jr.	Akron, Ohio/Walsh Jesuit
20	Robbie Hollis	TB	5-7	205	Jr./Jr.	Lansing, Mich./Sexton
96	Gardner Howard	DL	6-3	290	Sr./Sr.	Defiance, Ohio
39	Chris Hubbard	RB	5-7	170	Fr./Fr.	Detroit/Chadsey
9	Dana Johnson	DL	6-2	255	Sr./Jr.	Portsmouth, Ohio
54	Eric Jones	LB	5-11	230	Jr./So.	Mansfield, Ohio/Madison
95	Dan Kasmarcak	DL	5-11	250	So./Fr.	Valley View, Ohio/Cuyahoga Heights
73	Mark Kautzman	OL	6-4	290	So./So.	Bainbridge, Ohio/Kenston
45	Dan King	DL	6-1	295	Jr./Jr.	Lorain, Ohio/Lakewood St. Edward
58	John Kuck	OL	6-4	275	5/Sr.	New Knoxville, Ohio/Culver (Ind.) Military Academy
2	Adam Lige	FB	5-11	235	Sr./Jr.	Adrian, Mich.
26	Chad Long	DB	6-0	185	Fr./Fr.	Clyde, Ohio
3	Terry Loville	WR	5-7	170	Sr./Sr.	San Francisco/Riordan H.S./City College of San Francisco
52	Brian Manns	LB	6-2	250	5/Sr.	Kenton, Ohio
43	Brent Martin	FB	6-1	225	Jr./So.	Upper Arlington, Ohio
62	Chad McCarthy	OL	6-4	275	Jr./So.	Toledo/Central Catholic
36	Jason McKendrick	RB	5-10	200	So./Fr.	Ravenna, Ohio/Southeast
67	Ed Merritt	LS	6-0	260	5/Sr.	Grove City, Ohio
51	J.P. Mershon	LB	6-0	240	5/Sr.	Columbus/Hamilton Township H.S./Wittenberg
46	Kinta Mitchell	LB	6-1	230	Jr./So.	Canton/McKinley
12	Bob Niemeit	QB	6-2	200	Sr./Jr.	Columbus/Beechcroft
32	Joe O'Neill	LB	6-2	215	Jr./So.	Twinsburg, Ohio/Walsh Jesuit
30	Kevin O'Neill	LB	6-2	240	5/Sr.	Twinsburg, Ohio/Walsh Jesuit
84	Cotton Phillips	TE	6-4	235	5/Sr.	Zanesville, Ohio/Maysville
6	Damien Platt	TB	6-0	210	5/Sr.	Mt. Clemens, Mich./Mt. Clemens H.S./Illinois
16	Andy Pollock	P	6-2	190	Sr./Jr.	Maumee, Ohio
19	Jay Register	DB	5-9	180	Jr./Jr.	Glendale, Calif./Glendale H.S./Glendale College
48	Shaun Rice	DB	5-10	180	Fr./Fr.	Columbus/Watterson
74	Malcolm Robinson	OL	6-4	255	Fr./Fr.	Fostoria
64	Steve Rovnak	OL	6-2	250	So./Fr.	Youngstown, Ohio/Boardman
1	Ricky Schneider	QB	6-2	210	So./Fr.	Amherst, Ohio/Steele
83	Josh Siebenhar	WR	6-0	200	Jr./So.	Fairview Park, Ohio/Fairview/John Carroll
82	Jason Spencer	WR	6-1	175	So./Fr.	McConnellsville, Ohio/Morgan
87	Kevin Steinke	TE	6-3	235	So./So.	Wausau, Wis./Everest
7	Ty Stover	FB	6-0	205	So./Fr.	Galena, Ohio/Big Walnut
11	Jason Strasser	PK	6-2	175	So./So.	Toledo/St. Francis
42	Trabian Turner	DB	5-9	170	Fr./Fr.	Palm Beach, Fla./Melbourne
76	Matt Tyia	OL	6-2	260	So./Fr.	Stow, Ohio/Walsh Jesuit
91	Willie Watson	DL	6-4	270	Sr./Jr.	Amherst, N.Y.
21	Leon Weathersby	RB	6-0	190	Jr./Jr.	Los Angeles/Hamilton H.S./Pierce College
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57	Casey Williams	LB	6-2	225	Fr./Fr.	Newark, Ohio/Licking Valley
4	Jamaine Williams	DB	6-1	200	5/Sr.	Detroit/East Catholic
17	Junior Williams	DB	5-9	185	Jr./Jr.	Lansing, Mich./Waverly
90	Ryan Wingrove	TE	6-3	240	Fr./Fr.	Parkersburg, W.Va./South
70	Eric Zbinovec	OL	6-5	245	So./Fr.	Zanesville, Ohio

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Offense

Line could provide lift

□ *Offensive line is considered the biggest key to the Falcons being more productive in 1997.*

By **SCOTT BROWN**
BG News Football Writer

The numbers are nothing if not stunning.

In 1994 — the last year the Bowling Green football team won more games than it lost — the offense spurted out a school-record 391 points.

The Falcons have scored just 11 more points than that over the past two seasons.

Pushing those offensive numbers back up will be crucial for the 1997 team to have any kind of success.

"Our offense has to do it, no question," Falcon coach Gary Blackney said. "I'm feeling so much better about our offense right now than I have the last couple of years."

"I think there are more knowns. Now it's just a matter of us preparing them the right way to play in game situations."

In all, seven starters return from last year's team that finished a dismal last place in the Mid-American Conference in total offense. BG averaged just 258 yards per game last year — over 35 yards less than the next-closest team.

Quarterback Bob Niemet returns, as do wideouts Damron Hamilton and Terry Loville. Most of the offensive line returns, and much of the focus in the preseason has been on how that group can mature into a solid unit.

Then there is the running game, where only two players return with limited experience from a year ago.

"We have to put more points on the board and take advantage of the situations that the defense puts us in," Niemet said. "The defense is going to hold out for us."

"The offense just has to put points on the board."

A look at the Falcons on offense follows:



Junior running back Robbie Hollis will be one of the key performers on the Falcon offense in 1997. With 81 yards in limited action last year, Hollis is the top returning back.

Offensive Line

A question mark the last few years as several players have moved in and out of the lineup, the Falcons feel they have the right combination in 1997.

Fifth-year seniors John Kuck and Sam Hemke each started all 11 games last year. Kuck is the most experienced

player on the offense with 22 starts under his belt.

After that, the Falcons rely on youth. Rob Fehrman, a red-shirt freshman, is penciled in at left tackle. Mark Kautzman and Chad McCarthy, a pair of sophomores, are at left guard and right tackle, respectively.

"Chad McCarthy is a young

star on the rise," Blackney said. "He played a lot for us a year ago and got baptized under fire. He's ready to set in as a veteran player."

"Kautzman got some experience a year ago and we think he'll be outstanding. Fehrman

● See OFFENSE, page ten.

john **kuck**



Senior
#58
Center

New Knoxville
Culver Military
Academy

Letters: vvv
6'4"
275 lbs.

Team Offense

Year	Wins	Rushing	Passing	Total
'96	4	116.5	141.6	258.2

Major: International Business

Family history shapes Kuck

□ *A stint in military school helped prepare Falcon senior for life in college football.*

By **SCOTT BROWN**
BG News Football Writer

There is no question who makes Bowling Green's offense line run.

That much became apparent Saturday in Bowling Green's opening game against Louisiana Tech.

Center John Kuck left late in the second quarter and did not return until well into the second half.

The Falcon offense, after a solid start to the game, lost its punch.

That stretch solidified Kuck as the veteran leader of a mostly wet-behind-the-ears

● See KUCK, page ten.



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Offensive Players to Watch

bob niemet



Junior
#12
Quarterback

Columbus
Beechcroft

Letters: √
6'2"
200 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Comp.	Att.	Yards	TD
'96	83	191	1,129	6
'95	62	135	733	4
Total	145	326	1,862	10

Major: Recreation

sam hemke



Senior
#66
Left Guard

Bloomfield Hills,
Mich.
Lahser

Letters: √√
6'3"
290 lbs.

Offensive Stats

Year	Wins	Rushing	Passing	Total
'96	4	116.5	141.6	258.2
Total	4	116.5	141.6	258.2

Major: Sport Management

damron hamilton



Senior
#24
Wide Receiver

Miami
S. Miami H.S.

Letters: √
5'11"
185 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Catches	Yds.	Avg.	TD
'96	29	465	16.0	3

Major: Sociology

tony holcomb



Junior
#88
Tight End

Akron
Walsh Jesuit

Letters: √
6'4"
260 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Catches	Yds.	Avg.	TD
'96	11	187	17.0	1
'95	2	9	4.5	0
Total	13	196	15.1	1

Major: International Business

robbie hollis



Junior
#20
Tailback

Lansing, Mich.
Sexton

Letters: √
5'7"
205 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Rushes	Yds.	Catches	Yds.
'96	21	81	11	41
'95	6	29	0	0
Total	27	110	11	41

Major: Undecided

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Defense

Stopping the pass is key

□ BG's linebackers are among the MAC's best, but Falcons must find a way to shut down the air attack.

By **TOD McCLOSKEY**
BG News Football Writer

If you were in Bowling Green over the summer, you may have noticed orange and brown all over the practice fields.

That's because the attitude for this year's defensive team is just that — team.

"Over the summer, the defense has come together more as a group and family off the field and outside of football than they ever have since I've been here," secondary coach Steve Spagnuolo said.

"That carries over (on the football field). We're playing better as a unit, pulling for one another. Not a bunch of individuals (but) more as one team."

Last season the Falcon defense finished a lackluster sixth in the Mid-American Conference, giving up 359.3 yards per game. The Falcons will have more experienced players with eight starters coming back for 1997.



Associated Press photo

● See DEFENSE, page nine

Falcon senior Chioke Bradley (23) goes after Louisiana Tech's Bobby Ray Tell during Saturday's season opener.

chioke bradley



Senior
#23
Cornerback
Mansfield
Mansfield Sr.
Letters: ✓✓✓
5'10"
195 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Solo	Ass.	Total	Int.
'96	26	35	61	3
'95	23	24	47	0
'94	24	33	57	2
Total	73	92	165	5

Major: Recreation

Ultimate goal has eluded Bradley

□ Bradley is the leader of an unproven secondary corps that will be important part of any Falcon success.

By **TOD McCLOSKEY**
BG News Football Writer

Chioke Bradley is no spring chicken. He's been around the block and is the Falcons most experienced player.

The Bowling Green senior defensive back started 29 games for the Falcons in his first three years. Bradley is just the second Falcon to accomplish that feat in

16 years.

Last Saturday's season opener at Louisiana Tech was Bradley's 30th start as a Falcon.

"It's a great honor," Bradley said. "This is a great program and it's been a long time since somebody has done that."

Martin Bayless in 1981 was the last Falcon to start all four years — until Bradley came along.

Bayless is now a regular in the NFL.

"That's why I try to work hard everyday," Bradley said. "Now, my goal is to make it to the next level."

Having earning three letters, Bradley is one of only four juniors ever to do so. In 1994, he placed third in balloting for the

MAC Freshman of the Year. Last year, Bradley led the Falcons in interceptions with three and performed brilliantly against MAC champion Ball State and rival Toledo.

Despite all that Bradley has accomplished as an individual, he hasn't lost sight of the one goal that has eluded him. "I've started 30 games, but we still don't have a championship," Bradley says.

Bradley's intense focus on being the best rubs off on his peers. Many of the young defensive backs and safeties look up to Bradley and try to mimic his approach to success.

● See BRADLEY, page nine.



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Defensive Players to Watch

kevin o'neill



Senior
#30
Linebacker

Twinsburg
Walsh Jesuit

Letters: VVV
6'2"
240 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Solo	Ass.	Total	Sacks
'96	48	72	120	7
'95	62	72	134	2
'94	32	43	75	1
Total	142	187	329	10

Major: Sport Management

joe o'neill



Sophomore
#32
Linebacker

Twinsburg
Walsh Jesuit

Letters: V
6'2"
215 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Solo	Ass.	Total	Int.
'96	32	45	77	2
Total	32	45	77	2

Major: Undecided

brian manns



Senior
#52
Linebacker

Kenton
Kenton H.S.

Letters: VVV
6'2"
250 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Solo	Ass.	Total	Int.
'96	19	38	57	1
'95	6	17	23	0
'94	6	16	22	0
Total	31	71	102	1

Major: Liberal Studies

dan king



Junior
#45
Noseguard

Lorain
St. Edward

Letters: VV
5'10"
195 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Solo	Ass.	Total	Int.
'96	20	24	44	1
'95	14	9	23	0
Total	34	33	67	1

Major: Undecided

junior williams



Junior
#17
Free Safety

Lansing, Mich.
Waverly

Letters: VV
5'9"
185 lbs.

Career Stats

Year	Solo	Ass.	Total	Int.
'96	40	41	81	2
'95	14	16	30	0
Total	54	57	111	2

Major: Hospitality Management

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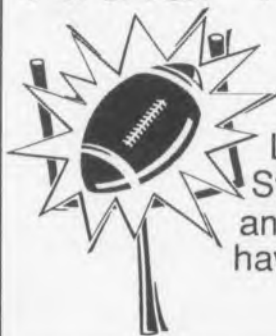
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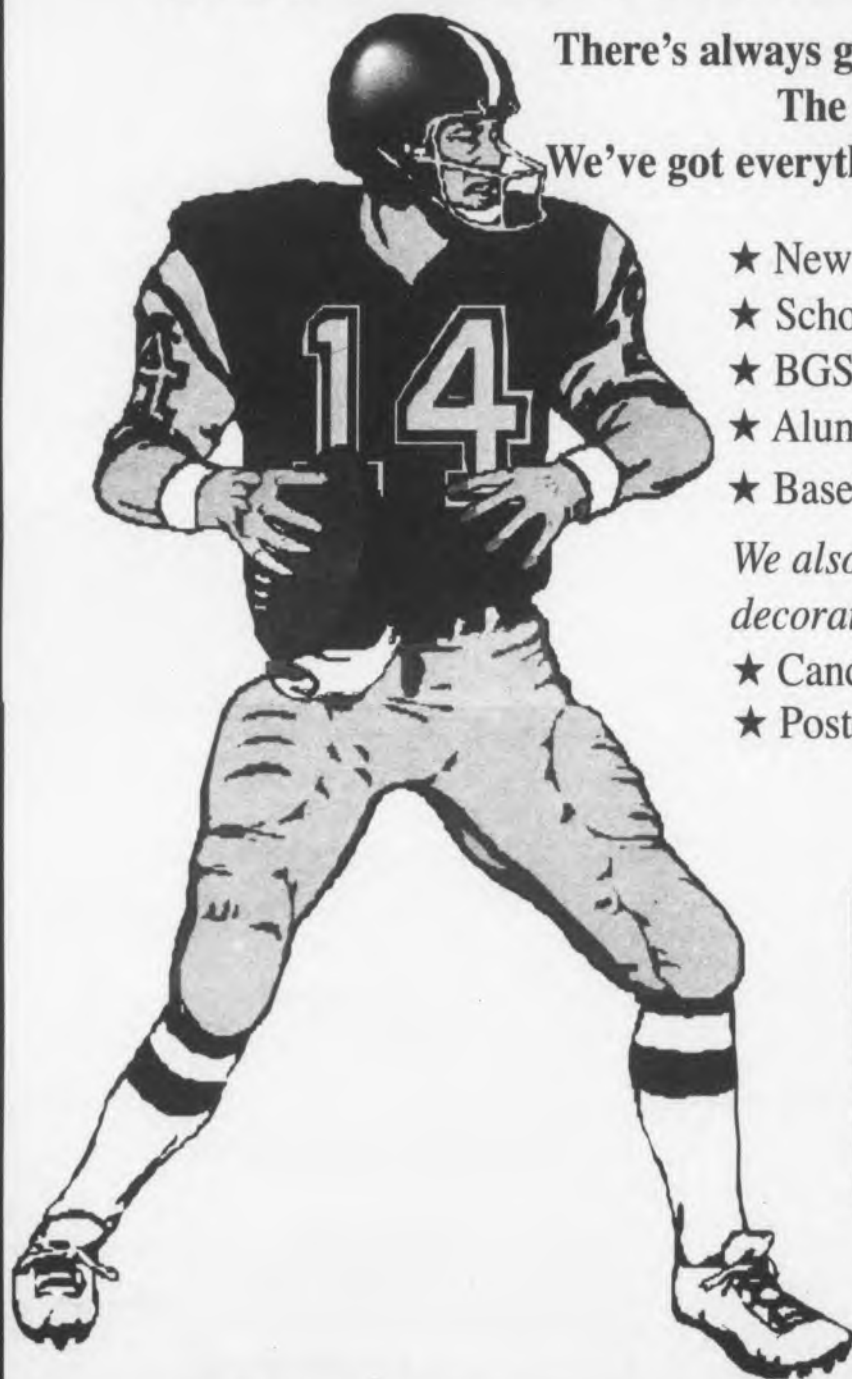
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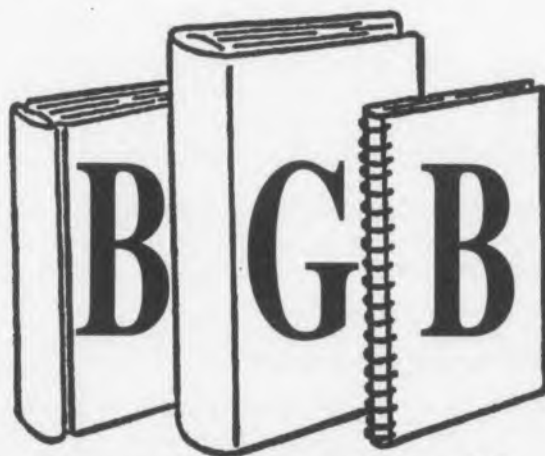
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DEFENSE

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"The main thing right now is to be able to go into a game and completely shut a team down, creating turnovers for our offense," senior defensive back Chioke Bradley said.

Seven seniors will start and play key roles in the Falcon scheme.

"A lot of seniors have starting roles and big-game experience," Bradley said. "Most of our seniors have played in our big non-conference games and the winning season of '94."

BG's defense gave up just 174 points that season - the last year in which the Falcons finished with a winning record. The team has given up at least 228 points each of the last two seasons.

A look at how the Falcons line up on defense:

Defensive Line

The line remains strong led by senior Gardner Howard. In the season opener,

the Falcon defense held Louisiana Tech's rushing attack to a mere 42 yards.

Last year, Bowling Green ranked third in the MAC in rushing defense, allowing only 3.4 yards per carry.

Dana Johnson leads the way at nose guard, with Willie Watson playing the other tackle. Letoskey Carey and freshman D.J. Durkin will both see a lot of playing time at defensive end.

"We have to get a better pass rush than we've ever gotten before," BG head coach Gary Blackney said. "I think our defensive line is bigger, stronger and more mobile and I think we have greater depth than we've had before."

Linebackers

As for the linebackers, BG's corps may be the best in the conference. The Falcons have a great deal of experience at the outside spot, with seniors Todd Bush and Brian Manns wreaking havoc.

Like the Oakland Athletics 10 years

ago, the Falcons have their own version of the bash brothers: inside linebackers - and brothers - Joe and Kevin O'Neill.

Opposing offensive coordinators will be steering plays away from Kevin O'Neill, a Butkus Award candidate. He was a first-team All-MAC selection last year and was the team leader in tackles.

"I think our four linebackers will match up with any four linebackers in the conference," Blackney said. "I think the O'Neills, Manns and Todd Bush are going to be great, great players for us."

Secondary

The big question mark is the secondary. Losing Demetrius Carr to ineligibility for the '97 season poses a challenge for Spagnuolo.

"We feel pretty confident about the secondary," he said. "It's always nice to have experienced players (in the defensive backfield where when you make a mistake it really gets magnified.)"

At the corners, seniors Chioke Bradley and Tom Gabram will look to suppress any opposing receivers. Gabram played receiver for three years before making the switch to defense.

Junior Williams starts at free safety, while Morty Brice, nursing a sore shoulder, is the probable strong safety starter.

"Right now, our main focus is the secondary," Bradley said. "Once we get that together, I think we'll have all the pieces of the puzzle together."

Other than a few spots in the secondary, the defense has a lot of experience and the Falcons must use that to their advantage in order to keep the pressure off the offense.

"What we tell the kids that they have to do is one thing: Simply play hard," Spagnuolo said. "On defense, if you work hard and rally around each other, then you are going to play good defense."

BRADLEY

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"I play a big leadership role, especially for the defensive backs," Bradley said. "Overall, a lot of guys on the team look up to me, but we still haven't been able to accomplish the No. 1 goal."

"Chioke brings a lot of confidence, maturity, as well as experience to the team," secondary coach Steve Spagnuolo said. "He's not a ra-ra leader with verbal, but he leads by example

with energy and enthusiasm."

As Chioke jogs off the practice field, wearing 20 pounds of equipment in 90-degree weather after practicing for hours, the look of determination is still set on his face.

"Everything's hard - nothing is easy," Bradley said. "I always have to work hard with everything I am trying to do."

During a preseason practice early this season, Bradley pulled his hamstring and was sidelined for a week.

"While he was out, you could tell that it wasn't the same without him," Spagnuolo said.

With all the problems college athletes run into these days, Bradley instills a military-type attitude to avoid trouble.

"I try to stay disciplined," the recreation major said. "When you do good or bad, somebody is watching you, so I stay disciplined on and off the field."

Being part of a dedicated senior class motivates Bradley to an even higher level.

"We stick together and set accomplishable goals for everybody," he said. "A lot of the young guys, they have two or three years to go. For the seniors, this is our last year to win the championship."

Making the transition from high school to college is never easy, but Chioke has battled through and now is on the verge of making the next step, as well as possibly leading the Falcon defense to a MAC title.

Special Teams

Strasser, Pollock form solid nucleus

Special teams have long been a staple of Gary Blackney-coached teams - and this year should be no different.

With two kickers returning from last year, BG should have one of the top kicking games in the MAC.

Andy Pollock, the top returning punter in the conference, averaged over 41 yards per kick last season.

Jason Strasser returns as the place kicker. He hit on 18 of 19 PAT attempts last year and just barely missed from 47 yards in the season opener at Louisiana Tech.

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OFFENSE

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reminds me as close as anybody to (former Ohio State All-American) Jim Lachey in terms of size and athletic ability. He's that kind of a guy."

The problem with the line is the depth - or lack thereof. Redshirt freshmen are listed as backups at four of the five positions.

At tight end, Tony Holcomb returns after catching 11 passes a year ago. Look for him to get more involved in the offense - if this line can keep Niemet out of trouble.

Quarterback

At quarterback, Niemet is the man until somebody beats him - or until he gets injured again.

Niemet was in and out of the lineup last year due to injuries. Keeping him healthy is a top priority for the Falcons.

"Bob Niemet has to turn around this year and prove that he can be a great quarterback," Blackney said. "I think I've said on several occasions that he can be an outstanding athlete. Now, can he develop into the type of quarterback that he needs to be to lead our

football team?

"That's going to be a major challenge for our offensive coaches and to Bob himself."

Niemet completed 83-of-191 passes for 1,129 yards a year ago in nine starts.

Sophomore Ricky Schneider had a solid spring, getting the majority of the snaps with Niemet playing baseball. He has a solid hold on the No. 2 spot at quarterback.

Running Backs

BG averaged a paltry 2.8 yards per carry last season, a number that needs to improve

dramatically to get the offense moving.

The only problem is that all of the backs in camp are unproven. Adam Lige, the No. 1 fullback, is a converted line-back who has never played a down at fullback in college.

At tailback, junior Robbie Hollis and senior Damien Platt will likely split time. The two combined for just 29 carries a year ago.

Hollis has shown potential in his limited action, while Platt was the second-best rusher at Illinois before transferring to BG.

"I think we've got three runner backs right now that, if they just stay on track, could be three pretty good players for us," Blackney said.

Wide Receivers

For the first time in a few years, the Falcons have a group of wide receivers they can count on.

Hamilton and Loville provide one of the top returning receiving corps in the MAC. Already having played a year with Niemet, the duo could give the Falcon passing game the chance to be prolific again.

KUCK

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group up front.

It is a challenge that the 6-4, 275-lb. senior from New

Knoxville, Ohio meets head on.

"The newness of everybody in their positions is more exciting than it is scary," Kuck said. "I'm excited to see people perform. I have confidence in

everyone because I think everybody is focused."

Kuck is focused on the Falcons returning to the top of the Mid-American Conference.

"We were a different offen-

sive line without Kuck," BG coach Gary Blackney said. "Not only is he an important player in the scheme of things but because that offensive line is made up of a lot of young guys.

"They look up to John because he's a quality guy, a great, first-class kid."

Kuck took a circuitous route to get to the Falcon football program. Tiny New Knoxville High School, 75 miles south of BG, does not have football.

Kuck took his game on the road, enrolling at Culver Military Academy in Indiana. He started three years there at center.

"I left a really strong athletic class in New Knoxville," Kuck said. "One of his best friends growing up, Evan Eschmeyer, is the starting center for the Northwestern basketball team."

"I was surrounded by great athletes and it was tough to leave that team because basketball was my life until I left."

Kuck was destined to follow the family ties, however - his older brother, father and grandfather all attended Culver.

"I had realized what military school had done for my family," Kuck said. "Football was a big part of it, but ... the military, the discipline and stuff, I think is great for any young man."

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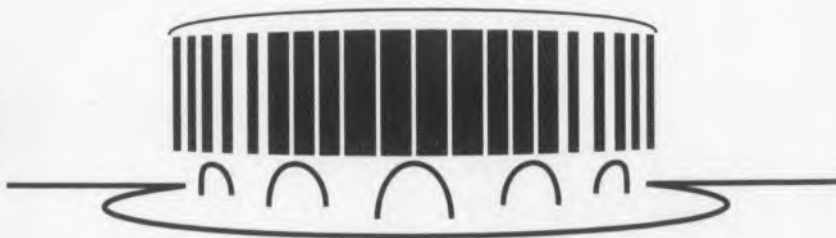
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